

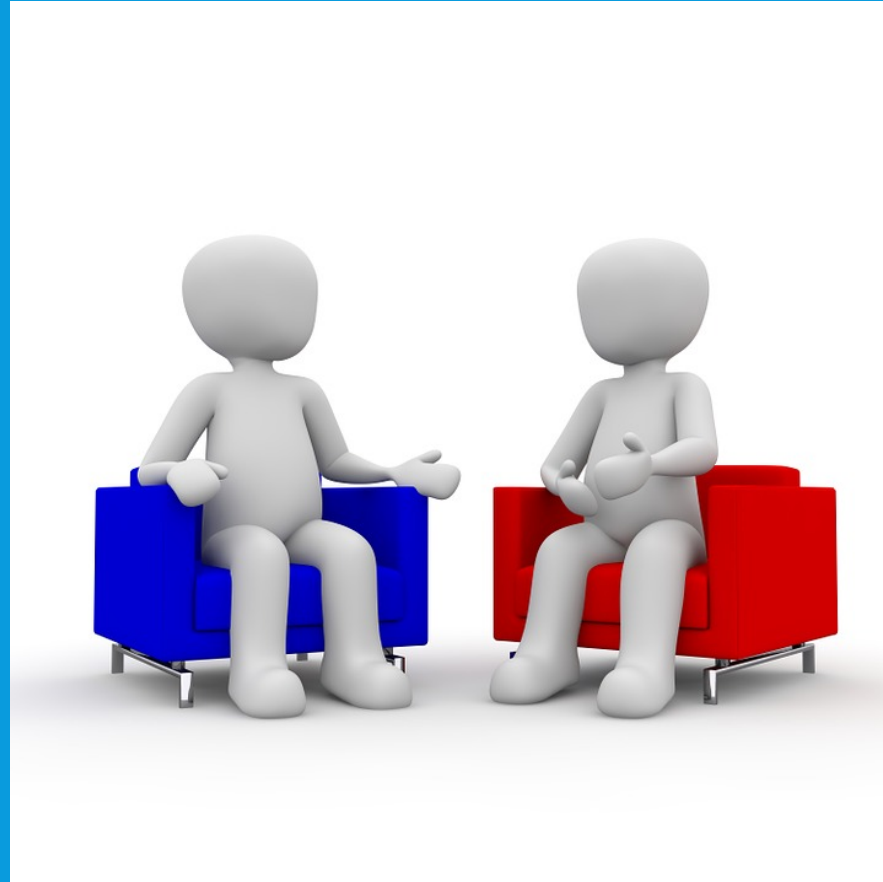
# HOMELESS EDUCATION STATE OF THE STATE

Wyoming Department of Education

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*Welcome!*

# INTRODUCTIONS

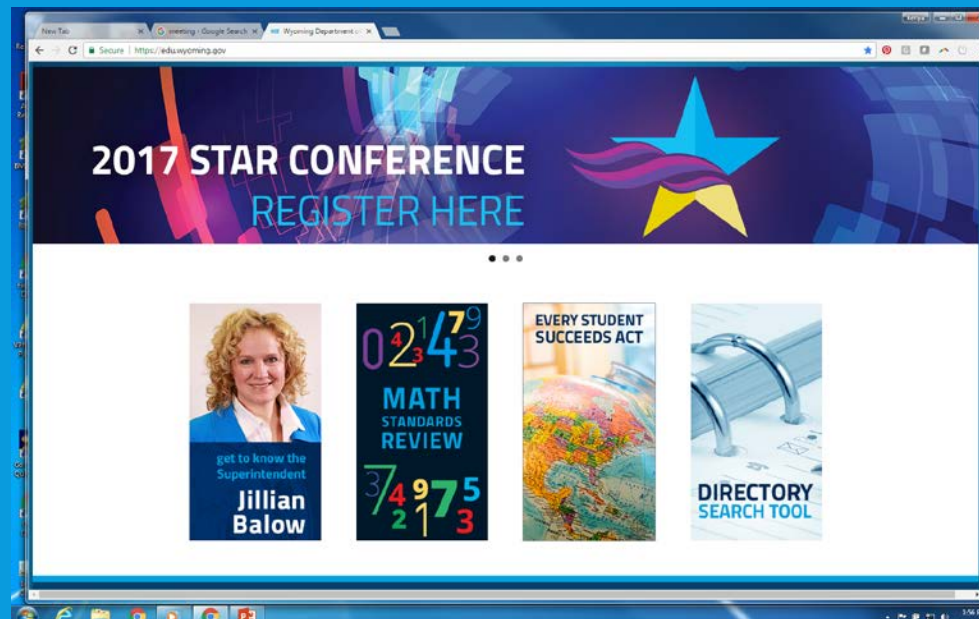


# TOPICS

- Every Student Succeeds Act
- McKinney-Vento State Plan
- Monitoring
- Grant Application
- House Bill 159

# ESSA

- **McKinney Vento State Plan**
  - Available at <https://edu.wyoming.gov>
  - Public Comment Ends June 8<sup>th</sup>
  - Please make time to review the document for errors, omissions or typos



# ESSA

- **Monitoring**

- 2017-2018 will be the first year of monitoring under the new ESSA requirements for McKinney-Vento
- WDE has switched to risk-based monitoring
  - That means that rather than being monitored on a 3-year cycle, it is possible a district could be monitored every year
- WDE may increase monitoring for subgrant districts

# ESSA

- **Grant Application**

- Switch from an annual grant to a 3-year grant
- Funding will continue to be tied to the end-of-year WDE-684
- All applicants must have a 25% match
- We will be looking more closely at community collaboration and outreach
- We will be adding new end-of-year reports for grant recipients
- A portion of the grant funding must be used for liaison training
- WDE plans to release the new application in late August/early September

# ESSA

- **Local Liaison Training**

- *All Liaisons*

- Annual Wyoming Update

- *New Liaisons (1<sup>st</sup> Semester in Role)*

- McKinney-Vento 101

- Duties of the Local Homeless Liaison



# ESSA

- **Local Liaison Training**

- *Veteran Non-Subgrant District Liaisons*

- STAR/Wyoming Homeless Education Workshop or Online Liaison Credentialing Level One – Required Every Two Years; Recommended Annually

- NAEHCY National Conference – Recommended

# ESSA

- **Local Liaison Training**
  - *Subgrant District Liaisons*
    - STAR/Wyoming Homeless Education Workshop – Required Annually
    - NAEHCY – Recommended Annually
    - Wyoming Homeless Collaborative – Recommended Annually

# ESSA

- **Local Liaison Training**

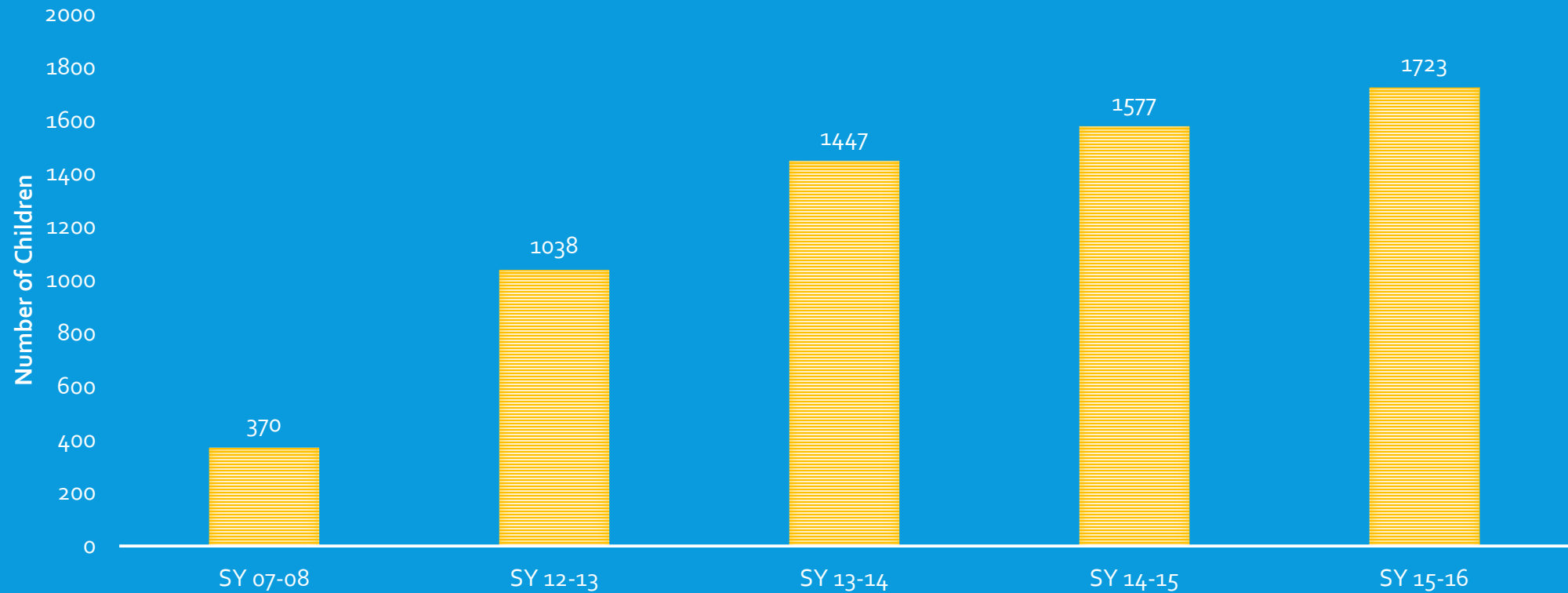
- Alternate training may be submitted to the State Coordinator for pre-approval
- Training Topics Must Include:
  - Understanding the McKinney-Vento Statute
  - Duties of the McKinney-Vento Liaison
  - Student Identification and Eligibility
  - Needs Assessment and Program Evaluation
  - Community Collaboration and Outreach
  - Trauma-Informed Strategies
  - Eliminating Barriers for Homeless Youth
  - Unaccompanied Homeless Youth

# HOUSE BILL 159

- New Wyoming Homeless Minor Statute
- Goes into effect July 1, 2017
- Allows Unaccompanied Homeless Youth (aged 16 or 17) to acquire a signed affidavit verifying their UHY status
- Students can use the affidavit to access copies of their birth certificates, get driver's licenses, sign a lease, open a bank account, or purchase a car
- The affidavit must be signed by two adults from the following categories: an attorney, health care provider, rabbi, priest, minister, clergy, school counselor, college or school district official
- Pros/Cons
- The Affidavit

# WYOMING BY THE NUMBERS

## IDENTIFIED HOMELESS CHILDREN K-12



# ICPH STATE RANKINGS

| INDICATOR   | RANK             |
|---|------------------|
| Homeless Education  | 33 <sup>rd</sup> |
| State Policy  | 48 <sup>th</sup> |
| Access of Homeless Children to Pre-K                                    | 50 <sup>th</sup> |
| Students Doubled-up vs. Living in a Shelter                             | 44 <sup>th</sup> |
| Percentage of UHY applying for FAFSA who were assisted by a LEA         | 21 <sup>st</sup> |
| Policies that Reduce the Risk for Food Insecurity for Homeless Families | 47 <sup>th</sup> |

# LOOKING FORWARD

- **Wyoming Homeless Children and Youth Awareness Month**
  - November 2017
  - Possible high school awareness activity
  
- **Local Liaison Leadership Council**
  - Current and Retired Local Liaisons Could Apply
  - Meet semi-annually, possibly via web
  - Provide feedback on WDE Guidance, Policy, Training, Events

# QUESTIONS





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